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MINUTES OF BAMBERG COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING - July 6, 2009

In compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, agendas for the following meeting were mailed to all members of Council, County Attorney Richard Ness, Lower Savannah COG, The Advertiser-Herald, The Times and Democrat, and a copy posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the County Courthouse.

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Bamberg County Council met 6:30 p.m., July 6, 2009, in the Bamberg County Council Building. Present: Chairman Clair P. Guess, III, Councilwomen Alzena Robinson and Dorothy C. Tatum, Councilmen Isaiah Odom, Clint Carter, William Nimmons, and Chris Wilson. **Others Present:** Administrator Rose N. Dobson-Elliott, Thomas M. Thomas, Sharon Hammond, Quincy Wright, Gerald E. Wright, Craig Walker, Kell Anderson, Roy Vinson, Carl Menist, Theresa Hannibal and Paul Shepherd.

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Bamberg County Council meeting was called to order by Chairman Guess at 6:30 p.m., in the Bamberg County Council Building. The pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Councilwoman Alzena Robinson, followed with invocation by Councilman Isaiah Odom.

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On motion by Councilwoman Tatum, seconded by Councilman Nimmons, the minutes from the June 1, 2009 and June 8, 2009 meetings were approved. Councilwoman Robinson was absent from the June 1, 2009 meeting and wanted to be certain that the May 1, 2009 minutes included the statement, that due to her being an employee of Denmark-Technical College, she was not present in the building during the discussion of the Bamberg County Recreation Grants for Fiscal Year 2008-2009. She was informed that this statement was pointed out and acknowledged during the adoption of the May 1, 2009 minutes.

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Administrator Dobson-Elliott introduced the newly hired county employees. Mr. Craig Walker of Bamberg was introduced as the new Veterans Affairs Officer (replacing longtime V.A. Officer Mr. B. Monroe Hiers), and Mr. Quincy E. Wright of Denmark was introduced as the Database Clerk/Administrative Assistant for E-911. The Council welcomed them to the County. Councilwoman Robinson requested that an advertisement be placed in the local newspaper to inform the public of the new V.A. Officer and the new location of the office.

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Bamberg County Memorial Hospital CEO Roy Vinson reported that the eight month period ending through May, the facility had revenues of \$470,000 on the positive side, which represented a \$2.5 million upswing over the same time period last year. On the down side for the month of May, the combined facilities showed negative net income of \$36,000 largely due to surgeries for the month being down 25 percent. Again, on the positive side for the month of June, gross revenue was up \$500,000 more than April and net revenue was up \$250,000 more than April. Surgeries were at the same levels as they were in April. The Council accepted this report as information.

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Emergency Services Director Sharon Hammond presented the Council members with copies of the County's EOF Guide, Hurricane Guide, Hazmat Guide and Incident Action

